

Comments in Response to “Final rule; request for comments” (IAR)

Docket: FAA-2020-0908

Project Identifier: MCAI-2020-01256-T

ISSUE 1: Typographical error

Commenter: ALPA

What change to the AD is requested? ALPA requested an AD reference in the Discussion section be revised.

Why is the change requested or how is it justified? ALPA stated that the first paragraph of the Discussion section references EASA AD 2020-0193, dated September 7, 2020. However, ALPA noted that the second paragraph of the Discussion section references EASA AD 2010-0193, which ALPA believes is in error.

FAA’s response: The FAA acknowledges there is a typographical error. In all other locations in the AD, the EASA AD is correctly referenced as EASA AD 2020-0193. Therefore, no change is necessary as the typographical error is not in the regulatory section of the AD and does not affect compliance with the required actions.

ISSUE 2: Reporting

Commenter: United Airlines

What change to the AD is requested? United Airlines requested that the reporting requirement only include crack findings.

Why is the change requested or how is it justified? United Airlines stated that the AD requires reporting all inspection findings (including no findings) to Airbus.

FAA’s response: The FAA disagrees with the request. It is necessary for the aircraft manufacturer to evaluate the information requested to determine further action to correct the unsafe condition. Additionally, as stated in the final rule, this AD is an interim action that may require further rulemaking.